

MANY AWARDS MADE AT PTA COUNCIL MAY BRUNCH

"Strengthening Home, School, Church, Community — The American Way" was the theme of the annual May Brunch sponsored by the Torrance Council of PTA at the American Legion hall, May 14. Included in the list of approximately 500 guests were the PTA executive boards of the 21 associations as well as the principal and vice-principal of the schools.

President Francis Stoeckle called the meeting to order and citizen chairman, Mrs. Marvin Sims, introduced the Den Mothers of Troop 761C who lead the pledge of allegiance and posted the colors. These ten uniformed members of the Cub troop were led by president of the Mothers Club, Mrs. J. Carlson, and Mrs. H. Ford.

Rev. Monrad Bergeson of Hope Evangelical United Brethren Church gave the invocation and soloist Larry Meyers sang "How Great Thou Art" with Mrs. Monrad Bergeson at the piano.

State Convention
Incoming president Mrs. D. D. Tuggle gave a report on the State Convention held this past week at Long Beach emphasizing the ever increasing need for good teachers.

One of the highlights of the brunch was installation of officers by Mrs. Leonard Hummel for the coming year. They are Mrs. Tuggle, president; Kenneth McVey, first vice-president; Robert Payne, second vice-president; W. E. Inman, third vice-president; W. W. Poser, fourth vice-president; O. O. Clayton, recording secretary; C. F. Malone, corresponding secretary; V. B. Terry, financial secretary; William Crooker, auditor and B. G. Byrnum, historian.

Accomplishments of the past year were reviewed by Historian, Mrs. R. E. Moffitt who stated the PTA membership was now over the 13,000 mark. Four new associations will have been organized this year bringing the Torrance Council total to 22 associations.

PTI Certificates
Parent-Teacher Information courses were held this year with 45 completing it and receiving certificates from Mrs.



Mrs. D. D. Tuggle
... New President

Evar Jansson Extension chairman.

Thirty-third District set up a course in Parliamentary Procedure which was conducted by President Stoeckle in November and certificates were awarded by Mrs. W. E. Inman to 19 members.

Magazine Chairman, Mrs. C. F. Malone, announced 45 magazine awards in the units had been awarded.

Centerpiece Awards
The centerpieces on each table were made for competition by the various associations depicting the theme — "Strengthening our Home, School, Church and Community—The American Way."

Perry PTA was first with a school yard scene with Flavian PTA second, and Torrance Elementary third.

The first Torrance Council PTA Scholarship awards of \$200 were made by Chairman Mrs. William Crooker to Mary Yoshiooka of Torrance High and Ikuko Kato of North High.

President Stoeckle then presented incoming Council President Mrs. Tuggle a President Pin and gavel. Mrs. C. F. Malone gave Mrs. Stoeckle the traditional past presidents pin and commended her on a job well done.

Entertaining Program
Miss Margaret Shidler played Rachmaninoff's "Prelude in C. Sharp Minor" and Mrs. Dorothy Tunis of Hampton Players gave a bit of child behavior answers in

"The Child From One to Forty."

Mothersingers composed of mothers from several schools were introduced by program chairman Mrs. J. R. Allison. They sang, "When Children Pray," "Pizzicato Polka" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic." They were directed by Mrs. J. N. Oswell and accompanied by Mrs. W. A. Herrmann.

Special Guests
Special guests included: Sherman E. Waldrip, assistant superintendent of business for the Torrance Unified School District; Dr. Albert Posner, assistant superintendent of educational services, and Mrs. Posner; Dr. Warren W. Hamilton, director of special services, and Mrs. Hamilton; Mrs. Margaret Denmarsh, curriculum consultant for the school district; Mrs. John A. Shidler, (Rosemary DeCamp); Mrs. Shidler's mother and her mother-in-law.

AQUARIUM CLUB MEETS

The May meeting of the Harbor Aquarium society will be held on Tuesday, May 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Gardena Community center, 1651 Market st. in Gardena.

President Irene Harris will open the meeting.

The program for the evening will feature a question and answer forum by the junior members of the Harbor Aquarium society and the Marineland Junior Aquarium club.

The big event of the evening will be the presentation of cups and ribbons to the winners of the Aquarium Show held recently in Torrance at the Torrance Flower, Arts and Hobby show.

A film of interest will also be shown.

The showfish of the month will be the genus barbus, a colorful family of fish that has many members of all different sizes, color and dispositions. The door prize will be a five gallon tank and hood. All fish fanciers are cordially invited to attend.

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Young Thespians

Members of the 6th grade class at Fern-Greenwood school entertained the Junior Women's club last night with an original Chinese play. Pictured (standing l-r) are Bill Crosby, Rebecca Wenske, and Bob Sonju; (seated l-r) are Tom Patrick, Lynn Pitts, and Barbara Bennett.—Press Photo

JUNIORS HAVE CHINESE DINNER, ENTERTAINMENT

Members and guests of the Torrance Junior Woman's club enjoyed a Chinese Dinner Wednesday evening, May 22, at the club house catered by a local Chinese restaurant.

Decorations were carried out by Mrs. Howard Altermatt, chairman, in a Chinese motif, and those attending created an oriental atmosphere by wearing Chinese costumes.

Mrs. Russell M. Clawson, program chairman, introduced "Minisport Players" from the Fern-Greenwood school who presented an original Chinese play directed by Herman Bood man, 6th grade teacher at the school.

The play was distinctive in that two propmen waited upon the actors' needs during the show dressed in black to denote invisibility. All the

Gloria Jean Mapel to Wed Irwin E. Taute June 15

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Mapel, 4154 W. 226th st., recently announced the engagement of their daughter Gloria Jean to Irwin E. Taute, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Taute, 1824 Martina.

The bride-elect was a senior at Narbonne High school and her fiance is a graduate of Torrance High school and attended El Camino college. He

COURT ELECTS OFFICERS

At the business meeting of Court St. Catherine, May 13, officers for the coming year were elected.

New officers are: Mmes. Don Cowden, grand regent; Gerald Loew, vice regent; Gerald Revell, praphtess; Dennis Flacy, financial secretary; Robert O'Brian, treasurer; Robert Wilson, historian; Don Bryant, monitor; A. J. Baker, lecturer; John Brislin, sentinel; John Murray, organist; and trustees Mrs. Joseph Terkmany, junior past grand regent; and Mrs. James Fornelli.

Officers will be installed June 10.

Methodist Church Women Install Officers, Chairmen

Mrs. C. P. Olson took office for the third year as president of the Women's Society of Christian service of the Torrance Methodist church recently. She also received a life membership and pin by Mrs. Selma Keefer.

Others receiving life memberships were Mmes. Mervin Schwab, William Speck, and J. S. McMullen. A baby membership was given to Miss Pamela Sue McFadden by the Martha Circle.

Candlelight installation ceremonies were officiated over by Rev. Taylor who installed the following officers: Mmes. J. L. Taylor, honorary president; C.F. Olson, president; Harlan McCool, vice-president; William Brown, second vice-president; J. W. Dolan, secretary; William Buchanan, treasurer; King McFadden, spiritual life; Sadie Almond, missionary; Robert Reid, promotion; Lois Balsley, supply; Maude Obarr, social relations; Roy Goree, local church activity;

Sorority Plans Shipwreck Party Tomorrow Night

A regular meeting of the Eta Mu Chapter was held Tuesday, May 14, at the home of Mrs. Norman Boy.

Discussed at the meeting was the future cake and rummage sale. Plans were put into effect for the first money making social, which will be a "shipwreck" party at Higgins Brick & Tile Co. Patio on Friday, May 24.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 11, at the home of Mrs. Otis Bry, 18514 Spinning ave.

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Soroptimists Hear Harbor Area Banker

At the regular luncheon meeting of the Soroptimists May 20 at the Palms in Torrance, Ted Madouras, of the Bank of America in the Harbor area new business extension and estate planning, spoke on "Property Rights and Estates."

Guests were Dean Sears of Bank of America, Torrance, and Mrs. Charlotte Rupert of Anatole Robbins Beauty Preparations of Los Angeles.

"Trusts are needed as much or more by people in moderate circumstances as by those of great wealth," Madouras informed the group, and explained that "every dollar that can be saved should be, especially where there are children concerned." A Trust means to administer a will and the speaker pointed out several excellent reasons why a Bank should be named executor of a will, rather than an individual.

"The Bank prefers a conference before the need is there, as more can be accomplished and to better advantage than, perhaps later, after a relative or an individual becomes discouraged and then goes to the Bank for help," he continued. Many people rely too much on joint tenancies and making their own wills and feel they are doing the right thing by leaving what they have, to be divided equally to their children, regardless of their ages, Madouras pointed out.

President Margaret Neff presided over the meeting and Frances Dimitri, program chairman, introduced the speaker.

Next regular meeting will be a dinner, May 27 at the home of Dorthie Kirkpatrick with Frances Stephan as co-hostess. Margaret Neff will be honored at the Chamber of Commerce Dinner, May 23, in recognition of the services performed by the Club.

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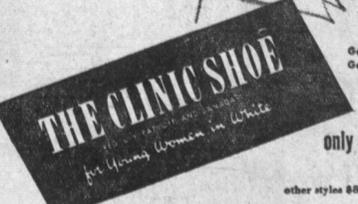
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Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Meets In Gardena

Xi Zeta Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi held their bi-monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 15, at the home of Mrs. Carl Andres, 13716 Madrona avenue, Gardena.

Members attending the meeting included Mmes. John Shriver, Don Fisher, John Wise, Raymond Millhouse, Richard Evans, William Raines, Carl Andres and Mary Waters.

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